Educated job seekers

3082. SHRIMATI N. P. DURGA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of educated job seekers;

(b) whether adequate jobs are there for all the educated people; and

(c) the manpower planning made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) As on 1.4.2001, 27.8 million out of 41.2 million persons registered at employment exchanges were the job seekers with educational qualification as 10th class and above.

(b) Many among the educated, pursue self-employment and hence do not require jobs on wage employment basis.

(c) The agencies of Governments at Centre and States, which are concerned with various disciplines of general, technical and professional education monitor the demand-supply situation in the respective disciplines of education, and respond to it.

Road projects in Tenth Plan

3083. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has decided not to take up any new project (National Highway) in the Tenth Plan;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the amount allocated to his Ministry in the Tenth Plan; and

(d) the amount allocated for NHDP in the Tenth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The proposed Plan outlay for the Ministry during the Tenth Plan is Rs. 59,700 crore.

(d) The outlay for National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) during the Tenth Plan who are executing the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) is Rs. 45,989.50 crore.

Road conditions in H.P. and U.P.

3084. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that road conditions are deteriorating in Himachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether road conditions between Shahganj and Pattinarendrapur *via* Loniapatti in Jaunpur District of Uttar Pradesh have been completely deteriorated;

(c) if so, whether any repair work has not been carried out there on for a long period;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when the said road would be repaired?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) Central Government is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of roads notified as National Highways. In the States of Himachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh, the National Highways are being maintained in a traffic worthy condition within the availability of funds.

(b) The road between Shahganj and Pattinarendrapur *via* Loniapatti in Jaunpur district of Uttar Pradesh is not a part of National Highway. Central Government is not responsible for its maintenance.

(c) to (e) Do not arise.

National Highway Projects in Himachal Pradesh

3085. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state: